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Filing Date	January 15, 2000
First Named Inventor	Peter Heitkamper
Art Unit	1711
Examiner Name	R. F. Gorr
Attorney Docket Number	Mo5278/LeA 33,335

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**  
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ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other PTO Form 1449

2. **Miscellaneous**

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b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICATION OF	)	
PETER HEITKAMPER ET AL	)	GROUP NO.: 1711
SERIAL NUMBER: 09/482,990	)	EXAMINER: R. F. GORR
FILED: JANUARY 15, 2000	)	RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 21
TITLE: POLYURETHANE CAST	)	
ELASTOMERS BASED ON DURENE	)	
DIISOCYANATE	)	

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

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Sirs:

This response is filed with a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE") under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 in the above-captioned matter. Applicants contend that the instant RCE is proper because prosecution, in the above-captioned application, was closed by the mailing of a Notice of Allowance dated May 16, 2003. Applicants request that the Office withdraw the finality of the Notice of Allowance to permit entry and consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith.

**Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.**

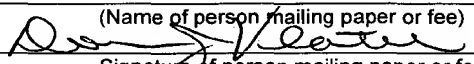
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